HB 1530 -- Liquor Control

Sponsor or Co-Sponsors: Hoppe

Same as or similar to: Year:

Emergency Clause: or Effective Date of:

Use Summary For: Version:, Year:,

Verbatim:

Modify above as follows:

New summary as follows: This bill allows a wholesaler to give a retailer credit for intoxicating liquor with an alcohol content of less than 5% or 3.2% beer in a container with a capacity of four gallons or more that was delivered for a special event, if the wholesaler removes the product within seven days of the initial delivery.

The bill also creates new penalties for violations of liquor control laws. The bill allows the Supervisor of Liquor Control to assess in lieu of suspension or revocation of a liquor license:

- (1) A civil penalty of not less than \$100 or more than \$5,000 against any solicitor licensed to sell liquor when in violation of any liquor laws;
- (2) A civil penalty of not less than \$50 or more than \$1,000 against any retailer with less than 5,000 occupant capacity when

in violation of any liquor laws; and

(3) A civil penalty of not less than \$50 or more than \$5,000 against any retailer with 5,000 or more occupant capacity when in violation of any liquor laws.

The supervisor must establish rules to identify which violations are eligible for civil penalty, the maximum amounts of the penalty, and conditions for which the penalties may be reduced.

The bill also requires the supervisor to meet with a licensee prior to issuing any order of warning, probation, revocation, suspension, or fine in order to bring early resolution of disputes. The supervisor must provide the licensee a written description of the specific conduct for which discipline is sought and all documents related to the violation.

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